



STATE OF MICHIGAN  
BUREAU OF ELECTIONS  
LANSING

MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 24, 2014  
TO: County Clerks  
FROM: Michigan Bureau of Elections  
SUBJECT: Write-in Candidates for November 4, 2014 General Election

***Write-in Candidates for the November 4, 2014 General Election: Final Listing of State-Level Filings***

The deadline for filing a Declaration of Intent form for the November 4, 2014 general election elapsed at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, October 24, 2014. The following represents a final listing of the individuals who filed a Declaration of Intent form for state-level offices to express their interest in seeking election to the indicated offices with write-in votes.

Candidate	Office
Patrick Groulx	Governor
Michael Shane Mark	Governor
Charles A Pakkala	Governor
Richard Allan Sills	Governor
Sam F Thomas	Governor
Robert G Boensch	U.S. Senator
Jeff Jones	U.S. Senator
Douglas A Troszak	U.S. Senator
George J Saady	U.S. Senator
Kerry L Bentivolio	U.S. Representative in Congress, District 11
Calvin Pruden	U.S. Representative in Congress, District 14
Ejaz Virk	State Senator, District 3
Howard Worthy	State Senator, District 4
Joe Hunt	State Senator, District 9
Damian Christian Mitchell	State Representative, District 3
Tonya Renay Wells	State Representative, District 5
Cynthia A Johnson	State Representative, District 5
Donnie Malone Jr	State Representative, District 6
Gregory Vanderwoude	State Representative, District 69
Paul M Lyons	State Representative, District 95
William Damsgaard	State Representative, District 107
John Glaser	2A District Court Judge
David Poulton	44 <sup>th</sup> District Court Judge

## **Actions You Must Take**

- All valid write-in votes cast for the above listed candidates must be tallied. As a consequence, please advise the city and township clerks in your county to instruct their precinct boards to record any write-in votes cast for the candidates identified above who are seeking election to the office of Governor or U.S. Senator. In addition, if any of the listed office districts fall in your county, please advise the appropriate city and township clerks to instruct their precinct boards to record any valid write-in votes cast for the indicated candidate(s).
- A write-in vote cast for an individual who has *not* filed a Declaration of Intent *does not count* and must not be recorded by the precinct board. Similarly, a write-in vote cast for an individual who filed a Declaration of Intent does not count unless the office for which the write-in vote was cast corresponds to the office identified on the Declaration of Intent. Write-in votes which do not count for the above reasons are *not* considered when determining whether an “over vote” has occurred.
- If you accepted any Declaration of Intent filings from write-in candidates seeking the office of State Senator, State Representative, U.S. Representative in Congress or Probate Court Judge who were required to submit the form to your office, please fax a copy of the Declaration of Intent forms submitted by the candidates to the Bureau as soon as possible if you have not done so already. Fax: (517) 373-0941.
- Also remember to provide any other Declaration of Intent filings that you accepted from write-in candidates to your local jurisdictions as appropriate.

Please feel free to contact this office if you have questions. Email: [elections@michigan.gov](mailto:elections@michigan.gov); Phone: (800) 292-5973 or (517) 373-2540.